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Whereas, Aphasia is a communication impairment caused by brain damage, typically resulting from a stroke or other brain injury; and

Bhereas, the effects of aphasia may include a loss or reduction in ability to speak, comprehend, read, and write, while intelligence remains intact; and

Bhereas, many people with aphasia also experience weakness or paralysis on the right side of the body, due to damage to the left hemisphere of the brain; and

Whereas, it is estimated that there are now nearly 2 million people in the United States living with aphasia; and

Whereas, there are resources available for educating people with aphasia, their families, health professionals, and the public on how people with aphasia can reclaim their quality of life; and

Whereas, is to increase public awareness of aphasia with the goal of improving the well-being of citizens of Oklahoma;

Row Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim June, 2023 as

"Aphasia Awareness Month"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this thirtieth day of May, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty there and of the State of Oklahoma in the Ore-hundred